

special fee for a certified copies, like other states do, which is the point I was trying to make earlier, fine. Set \$5.00, Peter, I'll go with that. Make it \$5.00 for the first copy, or for a certified copy. And a law firm specializing in personal injury accidents, like you, I can see that \$5.00 or \$50.00 a copy means nothing to them. But you see all it is for the rest of the people is a taxation system which is added on to your insurance. All this is, is a way to make \$1.00 or \$2.00 more for every policyholder in the State of Nebraska. That is what the bill is. It is like putting a taxation, for \$1.00, on every auto insurance policy you buy, or you have, or every member of your family. It is a taxation system. That is why I am opposed to creating a completely artificial cost that you tack on here that the insurance company then tacks on to your auto insurance. That is all that is occurring. It is an indirect way to levy a tax. So if you do happen to raise the bill, which I hope you won't, then we'll spend at least an hour or so creating a system for certified and uncertified copies. But at the present time, if it is costing 13 or 14 cents, which is what it actually costs to abstract something, to get it out of the computer, then a fee or a charge of \$1.00, that you are already paying, is already enough of a tax. Just using another \$1.00 on there isn't fair. It is not straightforward in any sense. Hmm, had something else, but I can't think of what it was. Oh, yes, we raised this not too long ago. We raised it significantly. You know why? Because the Motor Vehicles Department came and said we are going to go to a completely computerized system, and to do that we require half a million or a million bucks. We raised that money in one year by moving the fee up to \$1.00. I think it used to be 25 cents or 50 cents or something like that. They've paid for that computer. The taxpayers paid for it in fees already, so they've got the computer that is used to provide this system for the State Patrol and for the Motor Vehicles Department that they need anyway. That's been paid for. This is not a good way to do business. If you are going to user fees as a method of raising revenue, then just go across the board and charge five to ten times what the actual cost of the service is, which is about what you are doing here, and do it on everything then. Hell, you don't need a sales or income tax, you just use user fees. But it is a poor way to do business.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Lundy, did you want to speak?